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DWR Announces \$204.9 Million Award in Proposition 84 IRWM Implementation Grants

SACRAMENTO – The California Department of Water Resources (DWR) has awarded \$204.9 million in Proposition 84 Implementation Grant Funding to 25 applicants. This is part of the first round of DWR's Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Implementation Grant Program.

DWR Director Mark Cowin approved the final funding awards on August 16. The grant funding will support approximately 190 individual projects, located throughout California, with an estimated total project cost of approximately \$1 billion. IRWM Regions will use the funds to implement water supply, water quality, stormwater management, flood management, water conservation, watershed protection, ecosystem restoration, groundwater/conjunctive use, and water recycling projects.

Funding for the projects is available through Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006, as amended 2010 (Proposition 84 IRWM). Proposition 84 was passed by California voters in November 2006, and authorized the Legislature to appropriate \$1 billion for IRWM. Administered by DWR, Proposition 84 IRWM grants are awarded to local public agencies and non-profit organizations for projects and programs consistent with an adopted IRWM Plan that helps meet long-term water needs of the State.

To view the final funding awards funding, please visit the following Website:

http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/integregio_implementation.cfm

The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs. Contact the DWR Public Affairs Office for more information about DWR's water activities